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 TOPIC Quartering Area Mech Div and the 2d Light Arty Brig 25X1  
in Doeberitz

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REMARKS

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1. Between 9 November and 10 December 1954, the Loewen Kaserne (2063) in Doeberitz was still occupied by approximately 1,500 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets including some with artillery insignia and the Adler Kaserne (2063) in Doeberitz was occupied by approximately 2,500 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia. The occupation of the two installations included recruits. Groups of recruits in company strength were repeatedly seen leaving for firing with carbines at the Doeberitz training grounds. On 23 November, a JS tank in the training area fired at a kite with a heavy machine gun.

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2. In late November and early December, an installation in the southwest corner of Olympisches Dorf (2067) in Doeberitz was occupied by a motor transport unit of approximately 300 soldiers who wore blue-bordered black epaulets including some with motor transport insignia. No vehicles were observed there.  a new artillery unit was quartered in Olympisches Dorf.<sup>2</sup>

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4. Between 10 November and 5 December, the Altes Lager (2061) in Doeberitz was occupied by approximately 4,000 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Formation drill in the installation and field training without weapons at platoon level were repeatedly observed. On 26 November, 11 driving school trucks left Altes Lager toward Dallgow. Reports of mortars were heard from the training area. On 27 November, 150 soldiers received infantry training north of Eschenheidenberg.

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5. On 5 December, an area of 200 x 200 meters just north of Hamburger Chaussee in the area of Olympisches Dorf (2067) in Doeberitz was surrounded by a new fence. Along the north side of the fence, there was a lean-to roof which sheltered approximately 60 trucks.<sup>1</sup> The other installations of Olympisches Dorf appeared to be occupied to capacity.

6. On 28 November, 20 guns similar to 122-mm field howitzers but some-  
what lower and 6 x 100-mm AT guns were unloaded at the Dallgow-  
Doeberitz railroad station. The guns were towed away by trucks.<sup>2</sup>

7. On 12/13 November, 3 M-31 rocket launchers, 5 x 37-mm AA guns and  
1 x 122-mm field howitzer were seen in Altes Lager in Doeberitz.

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The occupation of the installation still included the driving school unit which was also called "machine school". Captain Timoshenko was observed with the engineer unit in Olympisches Dorf, soldiers of which wore black-bordered black epaulets with engineer insignia. On 7 December, 18 x 100-mm AT guns were lined up in front of a gun shed in the quartering area of the unit of Colonel Boshko. The guns were no longer seen there on 9 December.

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8. At about 1400 on 8 December, the loading of 20 x 100-mm AT guns was almost completed at the Dallgow-Doeberitz railroad station.<sup>2</sup>

9. Between 15 November and 1 December, the Adler-Loewen Kaserne, the Altes Lager, the Olympisches Dorf and the barracks installation west of Olympisches Dorf (2065) in Doeberitz were occupied to capacity. On 25 November, 8 T-34 tanks left the last mentioned installation for the training grounds. Part of the old trucks of all installations had been substituted by new two-axle trucks with four-wheel drive. The construction of a fence south of Hamburger Chaussee at the northern border of the training area continued. Approximately 500 soldiers from the installations were employed in the construction of the fence and other work at the training grounds.

10. Between 16 November and 6 December, the Altes Lager including the Gardestern building and the former komendatura, the west section of the barracks installation west of Olympisches Dorf and the Adler-Loewen Kaserne in Doeberitz were occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Basic training and, occasionally, training in firing was observed at the firing ranges near Kesselbruch and fatigue work of small details was observed in the training grounds which appeared rather quiet. Approximately 200 soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered crimson epaulets were employed at the cantonment on Lagerstrasse about 2 km south of Altes Lager. Two barbed-wire fences were being constructed around the camp and observation towers with searchlights were erected.<sup>4</sup>

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4. Comment. The information fails to indicate any changes in the distribution of units of the 1st Mech Div in the military installations of the Doeberitz post. Prior to early December, training concentrated on basic training and training in firing, predominantly of recruits, while trained personnel were increasingly employed in fatigue duty. The cantonment 2 km south of Altes Lager appears to be an ammunition depot.            confirms the 219th Tank Regt of the 1st Mech Div in Doeberitz until 13 November 1954.

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